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RECIPIENT: Director of Materiel, DPD

DISPATCHER: Release to FOC of Westinghouse APR-56 Systems and Spares

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1. In recent discussions with [REDACTED] FOC Project Officer and [REDACTED], Westinghouse Corporation, it was brought to our attention that the APR-56 Radar Mapping Sets installed in FOC U-2 Aircraft are rapidly wearing out. After approximately four years of continuous use many random failures are being encountered. These are generally attributed to the age of the units.

2. Consideration has been given to an IRAN Program to refurbish these units. While this is feasible, it is a very costly undertaking, particularly for electronic equipment.

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3. It was drawn to our attention that approximately eight (8) APR-56 Systems and supporting spares are presently being held in storage by Air Section, DPD. The sets were previously installed on [REDACTED] These sets and spares are readily adaptable for use in the FOC U-2 Aircraft.

4. In the interest of overall savings to the Government, it is suggested that if no valid requirement exists for these sets within the Agency, that they be turned over to FOC for use in their U-2 Aircraft. I would appreciate your immediate review of this proposal since FOC is very shortly planning to return their sets for IRAN.

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